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Several Appointments Announced on State Boards

A. & M. BASE-BALL TEAM

Schedule of Gam-s for the Next Season is Announced-Important Change Made in the Banking Laws of the State

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALEIGH, N. C., March 12.—Governor Aycock announced a number of appointments to-day, among them being J. P. Carr, of Asheville, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the State's prison, to succeed Senator J. A. Brown, of Columbus: John M. Forehand, of Chowan county, a member of the State Board of Agriculture, to succeed J. B. Coffeld, of Martin county, resigned, and Gold, of Wilson; W. J. Poele, of

C. G. Gold, of Wilson; W. J. Peele, of Raleigh; R. L. Smith, of Albemarie, and George Howell, of Tarboro, as members of the Board of Visitors for the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

The Governor also announces the reappointment of Mr. W. M. Webb, of Morohead City, as oyster commissioner.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College base-ball team announces a series of games for the coming season, opening March 22d with a game with Oak Ridge at Raleigh and closing May 11th with Horner at Oxford. The intervening games are;

March 27th-Trinity High School at Ra-April 1st—Sharp Institute at Raleigh,

April 6th—Trinity College at Durh April 8th—Oak Ridge at Raleigh. April 13th—Horner at Raleigh. April 16th—Red Springs at Raleigh. April 17th—Wake Forest at Wake

April 20th-Trinity College at Raleigh. April 27th-Furman University at Ra-

teigh.

April 20th—Davidson College at Raleigh.
May 2d—Wake Forest at Raleigh.
May 7th—Guilford College at Raleigh.
Manager Henry Smith, of the Raleigh
Bell Telephone Exchange, went to Goldsboro this morning to assist in the opening
of an exchange in that growing young
city. Mr. Charles B. Miller, a well-known
druggist there, will be the manager.

An important change was made in the
banking laws of the State by the recent
General Assembly providing for the chartering of banks by the Secretary of State
with the concurrence of the Corporation
Commission, without application having
to be made to the Legislature, defining
the duties of the Corporation Commission
in the supervision of the banks and requiring banks operating without charters
to apply for charters and comply with
the banking laws of the State. The act
provides that the capital stock of any
bank organized shall not be less than
15,009, thus applying to towns of not less
than 1,500 people.

Haleigh is to have a great street fair
and carnival during the week beginning
May 25th. It will be under the auspices
of Center Lodge, Knights of Pythias.
Extensive préparations are being made
aver seen in the State is promised.

Dr. Braxton Banks, one of the most
prominent practicing physicians of Wake

Raleigh, yesterday after an illness from pneumonia lasting over two weeks. He was fifty years of age and was a man of considerable means and a good and useful citizen withall. He leaves a widow and six children. The funeral was

WOODMEN ADJOURN

Officers Elected at the Biennial Meet-/ ing at Kinston.

Woodmen of the World adjourned yesterday after an almost continuous ses pertaining to the order was , and officers for the ensuing two years were elected, also two dele In Milwaukee, Wis., in May. Fifty-one delegates were in attendance from West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina and Maryland. The business consisted largely of recommendations to the Sovconstitution of the order.

A large portion of the attending dele-

were from North Carolina lodges, onspicuous among the North Carolina delegation was the huge figure of

and conspleuous among the North Carolina delegation was the huge figure of Chief of Police J. M. Woodall, of Durham, who is a popular member of the order and with everybody.

Bovereign A. C. Fine, of Norfolk, chairman of the Board of Sovereign Managers of the Board of Sovereign Managers of the Board of Sovereign Camp, was presented as a delegate from the Sovereign Camp, at the night session there was an exhaustive discussion of the constitutional changes recommended, after which the camp went into the election of officers. The election in some instances was a spirited contest, the election of delegates to the Sovereign Camp meeting being especially close.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing two years: Head Consul, H. C. Murphy, of Norfolk, Va.; Head Adviser, J. D. Hatchett, of Concord, N. C.; Head Clerk, James W. Gentry, Norfolk, Va.; Head Banker, C. W. Hargrave, Petersburg, Va., Head Bacort, W. E. Protzman, of Grafton, W. Va.; Head Watchman, J. W. Fleet, of Whinington, N. C.; Head Sahry, J. D. Wise, of Sallsbury, N. C.; Head Managers, J. T. Jonkins, of Elizabeth City, N. C.; W. C. Jackson, of Wlimington, N. C.; J. H. Ware, of Old Point, Va., and D. P. Paul, of Norfolk, Va.

J. W. Foreman, of Norfolk, Va., and E. J. W. Foreman, of Norfolk, Va., and E.

of Norfolk, Va.

J. W. Foreman, of Norfolk, Va., and E.

B. Lewis of Kinston, were elected delegates to the Sovereign Camp, which meets in Milwaukee, Wis., in May.

MAY BUILD HOTEL

Local Capitalists Interested in a Scheme

Local Capitalists Interested in a Scheme at Wilmington.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 12.—Local capitalists are now seriously considering a proposition to build a \$100,000 hotel for summer and winter tourists on Wrights-ville Sound beach or in the city. A capitalist from Denver, Col., is here and has this proposition to local people: If Wilmington will furnish \$25,000 for syndicate he represents will put up the remaining \$15,000 for the hotel. The proposition is now under consideration, and will be decided upon this week. The hotel is by no means a certainty, but the prospects are favorable.

Mr. Hanes was a resicant of this city for ten years, during which time he was engaged in the manufacture of tobacco, being a member of the firm of B. F. Hanes. The deceased, was fitty-two years old. He leaves a wife and seven children, one daughter being Mrs. R. D. W. Conner, wife of the principal of the Wilminston graded school.

IN GREENSBORD

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GREENABOROO, N. C., March 1.—The Empire Steel and Iron Works, which have been shut down for two weeks on account of Inability to mine ore at Wilson's Mills, owning to wet weather, started free again this morning. The mines belonging to this company at Ore Hill, in Chatham county, which had been abandoned as exhausted, have been investigated by the new management and good ore discovered by sinking a new shaft. Three car loads of this ore arrived yesterday, and more is being conveved here. veyed here. Mr. J. S. Green, manager of the Fen-

veyed here.

Mr. J. S. Green, manager of the Fentress gold mine, arrived this morning from Kingaton, N. Y., with his family, and for the present will board at the McAdoo Hotel.

For the first time since beginning operations, nearly a year ago, the street cars stopped running for two hours this morning, owing to defective work of the pump at the power-house.

President Joseph M. Morehead has called a meeting of the stockholders of the Guilford Battleground Company to take place in Greensboro, March 18th. Besides transacting the regular annual business and making arrangements for the Fourth of July, celebration, steps will be taken towards procuring as soon as possible commencement by the government of work on the Nash and Davidson monuments to be erected here.

Mr. M. F. Marshall, president of the North Carolina Press Association, has called a meeting of the Executive Committee to be held at the Benbow Hotel, in Greensboro, March 28th. The committee will fix the time and place for holding

oro, March 28h. The committhirty-first annual session of the as-

sociation.

Hearing of evidence in the Bank of Guilford cases was resumed this morning before Refereu John N. Staples. About \$60,000 and many citizens, bondsmen of the cashier of the bank, are in-

men of the cashier of the bank, are involved in this suit.

J. Plerpont Morgan and party passed through here last night, going north from his southern trip. The grizzlod fmancier was looking well as he looked out of the window of his special car. The University Glee, Mandolin and Banjo Club will give a concert at the State Normal and Industrial College the night of March 20th, under the management of the Adelphian Literary Society.

Mr. Frank P. Morton, the new pro-Mr. Frank P. Morton, the new pro-prietor of the Guilford Hotel, is moving his family there to-day from his resi-tence on North Elm Street.

Heard in Durham.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DURHAM, N. C., March 12.—The social event of the season was an "at home" given yesterday evening by Mrs. B. N. Duke at her elegant home, "The Terrace," from 5 to 7 P. M. in honor of Mrs. J. B. Cobb, Miss Cobb and Miss Fuller, of New York city. The house was elaborately decorated, and among the guests were most of Durham's "four hundred."

The Impérial Tobacco Company, of London, England, has purchased the three-story brick tobacco building of T. H. Martin on Morris Street, giving him a check in payment of purchase money yesterday for \$16,000.

A Piece of Foolishness.

(Special to The Times-Diseatch.)

RALEIGH, N. C., March 12.—Governor Aycock declines to appoint delegates to the negro race convention in Atlanta. He

says:
"I think it a piece of foolishr will let Georgia attend to her own race troubles and let North Carolina attend to hers. We have troubles enough of our own, and have always been diligent enough to meet them and overcome them."

IN LEXINGTON

Interesting Race for Commonwealth's Attorney of Rockbridge.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LEXINGTON, VA., March 12.—There promises to be an interesting race for The incumbent, Colonel Robert Catlett, who has served for several terms, will no be a candidate for re-election. Two names are prominently mentioned as candidates although they have not formally anncunced themselves. They are Judge William P. Houston, of the County Court of Rockbridge, who has filled that position for some twenty years, and Captain Dayld E. Moore, who for many years filled the office of Commonwealth's Attor-

Messrs. G. N. Conrad and Winfield Lig Messrs. C. N. Conrad and Messrs. C. D. Harrison and D. O. Dechert the petitioners, and argued before Judge S. H. Leicher in the Circuit Court of Rockbridge the matter of granting the Judge S. H. Letcher in the Circuit Court of Rockbridge the matter of granting the "writ of prohibition" in the celebrated "riot case," which occurred in the Republican convention in Harrisonburg on March 17, 1909. After the oral argument faad been presented the counsel for the petitioners requested time in which to prepare written argument to be presented to the court. Judge Letcher granted their request, and gave them until March 17th. Mr. S. O. Campbell, of the Western Union Telegraph office here, has in charge the establishment in Lexington of a callbox system, to be a branch of the American District Telegraph Company, of New Jersey. The enterprise will provide for a system messenger service for the delivery of messages and packages and other errands. It will afford reliable service at small cost, The outlook is bright for the sticcess of the system.

Mr. Howard M. Harrison has sold his farm' through the real estate agency of Moore and Moore to Mr. Herbert Van Derveer for 13,00. The farm contains nihety-one acres and is situated four males west of Lexington. The stone mansion house was built in 1788.

SEVERELY INJURED

Election, of S. P. Reed in Mecklenburg

Passes off Quietly.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CLARKGYVILLE, VA., March 12.—Mr.
Horbert Blrum, a young cattle buyer living about three miles from here, was thrown violently from a moving train on the Southern this morning and, striking his cheat against a gravel bank, received severe internal injuries in the region of his heart. Some fears for his recovery are felt.

owing to the fact that there was only Owing to the fact that there was only one candidate in the field the election of Mr. S. P. Reed as successor to Dr. Mc-Lean to the House of Delegates from Mecklenburg, passed off with a very small yote and no excitement. Many voters had even forgotten that there was to be an election.

he represents will put up the remaining \$15,000 for the hotel. The proposition is now under consideration, and will be decided upon this week. The hotel is by no means a certainty, but the prospects are favorable.

| Died From Horse's Kick. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) winston-Saliem, N. C., March 12.— Mr. Philip Hanes, one of Dayle county's best and more proximent citizens, died in Mockylle this morning from the effects (Mockylle this morning from the effects a kick in the abdomen by a horse.)

| In Cumberlance (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) are at thinking of reducing the error of tobacco this year, and will try and have it better, as there were exceedingly large crops raised in this section last year, but the this poor quality. Labor is not considered scarce, but high, Muny are letaving for the North, but the majority are women.

TO RULA BY **SENTIMENT**

Empire Steel and Iron Works Resumes Edward M. Shepard's Interesting Address at Tulane.

THE WAR LORD CHECKED

Outcry Caused by the Bombardment of the Venezuelan Fort-Degree Conferred on Robert C. Ogden.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., March 12 .the various departments of Tulane Uni took place at Tulane Theatre, and the importance of the occasion was increased by the presence of Edward M. Shepard, of New York, and President Robert C. Ogden, of the Southern Educational Conference. Mr. Shepard made an address, which received close attention. His topic was "Modern Power of World Public

was "Modern Power of World Public Opinion." He said in part:
 "Sometimes it is said, I think, absurdly, if not unpatriotically, that it was only five years ago, during our Spanish war, that the United States really became a 'world power.' The saying seems to me quite unfitted to the true place in military and naval power and the material respect of the world, which our nation has held since Jackson's victory over British veterans seventy-eight years ago, or since the announcement of the Monroe doctrine, or since the resolute assertion during Jackson's presidency of our righting against foreign countries, or since our stupendous exhibition of military power during the civil war or since. We have for generations been a veritable world power, even if until lately we did not pass under the clamor of imperial or colonial policy.

policy.

"I beg of you to observe, however, that it is not of world powers of which I am now speaking but of world power. In due time we shall escape from the policing of the earth by from and blood; at least that police will move only rarely and when insensate folly shall be deaf to the command of an enlighteened and hence.

view, or that of commerce or finance, of offending that/world sentiment, will be more serious than the risk of some specific and immediate offense against any one of the lords of great nations. Already such a true world power, slight though it be to what the future will bring, controls from day to day specific national acts over very populous land and travelled sea within the three hundred and sixty degrees of latitude; already are there world sentiments of right and wrong, of justice and spoliation, of mercy and cruelty, of glory and shame.

WORLD SENTIMENT.

"Within the past few weeks an event not in itself of capital importance has given us another illustration, perhaps the most striking yet, of the power of a world power sentiment now fully come of age. But a month or two ago a few shot thrown by a German gunboat into a small South American fort brought an outlery the very next day from the whole world around. Venezuela cried out to the United States, and within a few hours after the unheroic bombardment every American newspaper had its say. Within fortyciegh hours it was a topic in the British Parliament, within a few more the comments of statesmen there and cahlegrams from Washington were in the Foreign Offices of Berlin and Paris. The German war lord stayed his hand when he understood the world sentiment, and seemed willing to be soothed by a cheque from an American iron master; and his British ally was at once ashamed."

An address by Edward Rightor, president of the Ahumni; a statement by President of the Ahumni; a textuan M. Shepard, Robert C. Ogden and Chief Justice F. T. Nicholls, of the Louisiana Supreme Court.

MATHESON—JENNINGS

Beautiful Home Wedding in Charlotte County.

Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
HOUSE, VA., March 12.—The country home of Mr. Z. M. Jennings, at scene of a simple and beautiful wedding bride of Mr. Donald Stuart Matheson. The decorations of holly and running cedar added grace to the pretty, old-fash by many candles and softly shaded lamps. Just before the hour of noon Misses Lizzle Chambers, Janie Smith, Katle Fitz-gerald, Sally Adams and Elizabeth Gish, cousins and friends of the bride, entered the parlor, taking a stand near the im-provised altar. Promptly at the hour for the ceremony, to the strains of Mendelprovised altar. Promptly at the hour for the ceremony, to the strains of Mendel-ssohn's wedding march, played by Miss Annie Lyle Jennings, the bridegroom and his best man, Mr. Graham Matheson, en-tered the room. Little Marshall Jennings, brother of the bride, brought in the ring on a white cushion, trimmed with bya-

brother of the bride, brought in the ring on a white cushion, trimmed with hyacinths.

The bride, preceded by her matron of honor, Mrs. Frank Almond, and her maid of honor, Miss Elizabeth Gieh, entered the room with her father and was met near the altar by the groom.

The marriage ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. John Matheson, of Pocomoke, Md., brother of the bridegroom. The bride wore a white organdy gown and a beautiful lace scarf, which was worn on a similar occasion fifty years before by her grandmother. She carried in her hands a lovely and immense bouquet of brides' roses.

The matron of honor and maid of honor were becomingly attired in white organdy and carried pink roses.

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The bride is well known in Danvine and Lynchburg. The groom is a prominent lawyer of South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Matheson took the late afternoon train for Richmond, whence they will go to Washington and New York, After April 1st they will be at home in Cheraw, S. C.

Among the friends from a distance who attended the marriage were Mrs. B. F. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. F. H. Almond, Miss Sallie Adams, Miss E. Gish. of Lynchburg, Va.; Miss Katherine Fitzgerald, of Rockingham county, N. C.; Mr. Graham Matheson, of Cheraw, S. C., and Rev. John F. Matheson, of Pocomoke, Md.

Itill. The groom is a traveling salesman of Atlanta, Ga., where he makes his

Right Hand Out Off

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(Special to The Times Dispatch.)

WODBYOCK, VA., March 12.—Mr.
James Rinker, an employe of the Woodstock Manufacturing Company, had the first finger on his right hand cut off by the knives in the joining machine, which he was working, while completing barrol heads.

Mr. T. W. Allen, an enterprising farmer at Red Banks, Shenandoah county, owns a flock of thirty-nine ewes, which has seventy-five healthy lambs in it.

Negro Child Killed.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BRISTOL, VA., March 12.—Minnlo Harrington, a fifteen-year-old colored girl, died in convulsions in Bristol at a late hour last night. The supposition is that she swallowed a poison after having committed infanticide. Her infant was found dead in the room. Those who made the discovery report that the child died of strangulation caused by a string about its neck.

RELIGIOUS ORDERS REFUSED RIGHT TO TEACH

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, March 12.—The Chamber of Dep uties was the center of great interest and animation to-day at the opening of the debate on the religious orders. A large crowd filled the galleries, and the floor of the chamber was also crowded. The ministerial bench was occupied by Premier Combes and most of his associates in the ministry. Previous discussions of the subject this session have involved incidental phases, such as the use of the Breton dialect in the schools, but to-day's debate involved the main issue—the question of the discontinuance of teaching by the religious orders. The matter came up on a proposition submitted by the Premier, refusing the request for authorization to teach made by fifty-four male religious congregations. This had been made a special order of the day, the expectation of the majority being that the debate would continue six to ten days before a decisive vote could be taken. Owing to the strength shown by the ministry on the recent test votes, the adoption of the Premier's proposition is considered practically certain.

The speakers were applauded by their respective supporters and the debate was adjourned until to-morrow. animation to-day at the opening of the

WILL ADDRESS SENATE ON INDIANOLA CASE

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—Sen ator Money, of Mississippi, has introduced a resolution requesting the President t a resolution requesting the President to inform the Senate whether postal facilities are now being afforded the people of Indianola, Miss. It is Senator Money's intention to address the Senate upon the Indianola case at some future time.

TEN THOUSAND MINERS WILL GO OUT SHORTLY

(By Associated Press.)
FAIRMONT, W. Va., March 12.—
United Mine Workers' organizers are in the New River District in this State for the epurpose of assisting organizers already there in bringing out the miners. It is reported here that at least 10,000 miners will go out in less than two months. Organizers here will assist, and will leave in a few days.

NEGRO CONJURER WAS CONVICTED

Found Guilty in Williamsburg of the Murder of Her Husband in February.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) County Court is in session to-day enthe murder of her husband, George Thornton. She was indicted for murde represented the Commonwealth and B. D. Peachy and James N. Stubbs the dofense. The case attracts considerable attention, especially from the colored people of the neighborhood, of whom there has been quite a crowd in attend

fought by the defense.

William M. McAllister and John B.
Stephens, attorneys from Bath county, are here taking depositions in the case

are free taking depositions in the case of Misses Virginia and Sue Armentrout, executor.

L. P. Armentrout, executor.

L. Henley was expected home to-day from the hospital in Richmond, but he will not be able to return for some days.

Dr. Leonard Henley is still confined to his room and his condition, at his advanced age, causes his friends much anxiety.

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Cards will be out in a few days announcing the marriage of a popular Williamsburg minister on the 26th inst.

O. J. Anderson and M. O Elton have sold the plantation formerly owned by Dr. G. A. Hankins to A. H. Anderson, consideration, 14,000, containing 229 acres.

Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin, the new rector of Bouton Parish Crurch, is winning golden opinions from his parishoners and outsiders. He has organized a chapter of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood, and the Church Auxiliary is doing fine work. The Lodge of Royal Arcanum is rejoicing in its prosperity. They initiated five members at its last meeting and have now about fifty members.

Mr. J. R. Bellamy has purchased the Sweeney lot near the college and will erect upon it a \$4,000 building to be used as a hotel and restaurant for college students, as well as for transient customers.

At the regular annual meeting of the

students, as well as to thinker cor-tomers.

At the regular annual meeting of the sockholders of the knitting mill the fol-lowing trustees and officers were elected: H. S. Bird, President; E. W. Warburton, Vice-President; T. H. Geddy, Secretary and Treasurer; R. L. Spencer, H. N. Phillips, P. T. Southall and L. W. Lane, Jr., of Williamsburg; G. D. Andrews, of New York, and L. J. Barnes, of New Kent.

Shenandoah Marriages.

(Special to The Times-Disputch.)

WOODSTOCK, VA., March 12—Miss
Ida Dever, daughler of Mr. and Mrs.
Briscoe B. Dever, of Tom's Brock, and
Mr. Norman L. Rittenour, of that place,
were married on Wednesday evening at
a the home of the bride's parents by
the home of the bride's parents by
Rey, T. J. Feaster, paster of the United
Brishnen Church.

Mr. Phillip Borden and Miss Viola Orndorn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M.
Orndorff, were married to-day at the
home of the bride's parents at Fischer's

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Multitudes of Ribbons

More Ribbons and Better Ribbons For Less Money Than You Ever Paid Before.

HE store is abloom with dainty tintings—a-flutter with the thousands of rare hued Ribbons that are to be proper for spring.

Dolly Vardens, in floral effects, that seem to lack only the perfume to make them real. High lustre Taffetas that shimmer like pearls, Warp Prints of "ye olden days," and Louisines and Soft Mousselines are but parts of this fascinating collection.

The principal interest, perhaps, will centre in a prodigal assortment of very practical kinds—correct shades and widths for every ribbon purpose on sale to-day

At a Third to & Half Less Than Ordinary.

The middle counters are holding them, and here are a few words as to what they are. There is a bargain in every line of it:

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TAFFETA RIBBONS, black, white, light and dark colorings, firm and heavy and all-silk. No. 80 at 18c;
No. 40 at 15c; No. 50 at 17c; No. 60 at 19c.

LOUISINE RIBBONS, soft and lustrous, black, white, and any tinting—a perfect, rich ribbon. No. 80 at 21c.

LIBERTY SATIN TAFFETA RIBBONS, black, white, light and dark colorings—is the soft, pliant ribbon that will be sought after for many purposes in the spring and summer time. No. 50 at 24c; No. 80 at 28c.

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RELIGIOUS **FREEDOM**

Czar of Russia Issues Vitally Important Decree.

WILL RELIEVE THE JEWS

Not Specifically Mentioned, But Believed to Be Included—Peasants to Be Released From Enforced Labor.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, March 12.—The
Czar has issued a decree providing for freedom of religion throughout his dominions, establishing to some degree local self-government and making other oncessions to the village committees.

memoration of the anniversary of the be the most significant act of State since the emancipation of the serfs. The public halls it as the proclamation of a new era, opening up bright prospects of the early improvement of

manon of a new car, openment of Russian internal administration. The text of the decree is in parts as follows: PRINCIPLES OF TOLERANCE.

"The troubles agitating our country, which to our deep regret have partly been sown by designs hostile to the State and partly engendered by doctrines foreign to Russian life, hinder the general work of ameliogating the well-being of our people. These troubles confuse the public mind, remove the people from productive labor, and often ruin families dear to our heart and young energies, among high and low, necessary to the internal development of the country. In demanding the fulfillment of tht, our will, while remaining strongly opposed to any violation of the normal course of national life, and having confidence that all will loyally discharge their local destreads demanding the fulliment of the dis-will, while remaining strongly opposed to any violation of the normal course of national life, and having confidence that all will loyally discharge their local du-ties, we are irrevocably decided to sat-isfy the needs for which the State has become ripe and have deemed it expedient to strengthen and decree the undeviating observance of the principles of tolerance ostrongihen and decree the undeviating observance of the principles of tolerance laid down by the fundamental laws of the Russian Empire, which reografizing the orthodox church as the ruling one, grant to all our subjects of other relilions and to all foreign persuasions freedom of creed and worship in accordance with other rights, and we are further resolved to continue the active carrying out of measures for an improvement of the material poston of the orthodox rural clergy, while enabling them to take a larger share in intellectual and public life.

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RELIEVE THE PEASANTS.

"Without delay measures must be taken to release the peasants from the present burdensome liability of forced labor.

"Thorough reform is to be established in the provincial government and district administrations by the local representatives, while attention will be devoted to securing close co-operation between the communal autiforities and parochial trustees of the orthodox churches wherever possible.

"Calling upon all our subjects to cooperate in strensthening the moral foundations of family, school and public life, under which alone the well-being of the people and the confidence of everyone in the stability of his rights can develop, we command our ministers and chief officials concerned in this matter to submit to us their views regarding the execution of our lifentions."

Although the Jowish faith is not specifically mentioned in the Czar's decree, it is believed that the liberty granted to "all croeds" is intended to include the Jews.

JOYFUL EXCITEMENT.

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The publication of the Czar's decree has produced universal feelings of joyful excitement and is to-night the chief topic of conversation in every public resort. Take that path to the first segmentily attributed to the Emperor's earnest desire to remove the causes which recently produced such deplorable outbreaks among the workmen and students, Fears, however, are expressed that the powerful party of reaction, led by Minister of the Interior Pielthe, may defently provided such deplorable outbreaks among the workmen and students of the Interior Pielthe, may defently provided and disappeared in an instant. I hope has on the known fact that Pinance Minister of the Interior Pielthe, may defently provided that the powerful party of reaction, led by Minister of the Interior Pielthe, may defently provided and disappeared in an instant. I hope has on the known fact that Pinance Minister Witte is a strong advocate of whatever reforms he considers the country ripe for. In any case, months must clapse before the projected reforms can be put into execution.

It is understood that the Czar desires to modify the laws by relaxing the penalties against the dissenters like the Stundist, but that no attempt will be made to repeal the law compelling children to be brought up in the orthodox church unless both parents belong to some other denomination.

The paragraph in the decree proposing

to refer the reforms to the provincial government councils is by many regarded as pointing in the direction of constitutional government.

It is remarked that the decree does not mention the remarked that the decree does not mention the remarked of the restrictions on

It is remarked that the decree does mention the removal of the restrictions on the press. For the moment, however, among the general public all these difficulties are forgotten in the spirit of thankfulness at the prospect of the dawn

Captain Charles M. Blackford. wish to lay one laurel leaf on the we of my friend, Captain Blackford,

grave of my friend, Captain Blackford, for as such I was proud to regard him. He was in Richmond about a fortnight ago, and as usual spent an hour or two in the State Library. Though then suffering with a cold, I never knew him to be more agreeable and rominiscent. It is not known to as many people as it ought to be that Captain Blackford has printed (but has not published) his "Memoirs of Life In and Out of the Army of Vicerial During the War Between the Virginia During the War Between the tes," compiled by Susan Leigh Black-d-in two volumes.

ford—in two volumes.

At my earnest request he presented the memoirs to the State Library, and there is also a set at the Virginia Historical Society. The work cannot be bought, as only thirty-five copies were printed, but, while there is a good deal of correspondence purely personal, there is also a very large amount of valuable historical data is the written dawn contemporaneously but large amount of valuable historical data in it, written down contemporaneously by a heroic actor in that bloody drama who tells in the main only about what he did and what he saw.

My main object, however, in writing is to publish, while fresh in my memory, a remarkable incident in Captain Black-

remarkable incident in Capanian and is life-with the sequel to it—as reted to me on his recent visit.

I condense the incident, as written by I condense the incident, as Vol. 1, p. Captain Bleckford himself in Vol. 1, p. 204-5, of his Memoirs.

his men into line of battle and support Ewell and Early; and then he and his staff rode through the gate and joined Early. The battle was raging with great fury. After standing there for what seemed a long time under the circumstances, "the firing became very sharp and was nearing me rapidly, showing that our men had either been driven. or yearly and the course of disordered troops he drew his sword (the only time he was known to draw it during the war) and then reached over and took his battle flag from my man, Bob Isbell, and dropping his bridle rein, waved it over his head, and cried out in a loud voter.

"Hurrah, for Stonewall Jackson! Follow your general, boys!"
I leaned over and almost with tears in my eyes, said:
"You are too good a fellow for me to make a prisoner. Take that path to the left and you can escape."
He saluted me with his broken sword, and disappeared in an instant, I hope he escaped.

the North he asked him if he he was only ten years old when the war began. Then, did his father serve. No; but
he had an uncle who was breveted for
gallantry on the field at Slaughter's
Mountain, and subsequently, on the same
day, had been mortally wounded in leadling his brigade in a second attempt to
break the Confederate line. And he
had often heard the story of the Stonewall Jackson incident, and of the cap-

his prisoner presenting a testimonial esteem and affection to the nephew

Truly, may we believe the glad saying of the word, "Peace on earth and good will among men," for so the revised version reads. State Library, March 11th.

Children in the Factories.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch; Sir.—The tender earnestness and broad ustice of your appeals in behalf of the little children of Virginia, seeking to

little girl, supposed to be th old, working in a silk facto quent, though hidden, appea

"Backward, turn backward, O, Time is your flight, Make me a child again just for to-night,"

is one of the songs such children never sing. G. E.

Sandridge Recovering.

It was said at the Virginia Hospital hast night that Alfred Sandridge, who shot Miss Nannia Morris, is getting along well, and will most likely recover.

TELLS EMPEROR ABOUT AMERICA

President of Berlin Police Much Impressed by the Doings Here. (By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, March 12.—Count Von Berns-

dorf, president of the Potsdam police, who recently returned to Germany from the United States, has submitted to Emperor William a written narrative of his experiences and observations in America, with appreciative notes on the New York police. The police president and his

police. The police president and his time traveling companions, four young guarismen and a junior attache of the diplomatic service, hapened to be sen in this wise: The Emperor was talking to a group of subalterns at the Casing of Polsdam, early in December, and asked them where they were going for their holidays. One was going to Parl and another intended to visit Rohemia "Why don't you go where you callearn something?" interrupted the Emperor. "Go to America, You shall go a my guests and tell me all about it whe you come home."

Bince his return Count Von Bernsdei has timed the Berlin fremen in responding to calls. He found that it takes they or four minutes to start an engine her, and contrasted this with New Yorki thirty seconds to do the same thing.

Miss Jones of West Appomatics is